One-Time Notification

SUBJECT: Correction of Duplicate Editing in CWF for Immunosuppressive Drug Claims at the DMERCs

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background:

CMS has learned that an edit established at the Common Working File (CWF) to detect duplicate submissions of immunosuppressive drugs claims at the Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs) is not working in the manner CMS would prefer it to work.

Currently, CWF sends an alert when an immunosuppressive drug claim is received at CWF from the same supplier on the same date of service (DOS) as another durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies (DMEPOS) claim that is not necessarily an immunosuppressive drug. The edit that CWF uses to detect duplicates is edit DA05.

B. Policy:

CWF must edit for duplicate immunosuppressive drug claims. The edit must only search for immunosuppressive drug claims with the same Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code dispensed on the same date of service.

C. Provider Education: None.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS

"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement

[&]quot;Should" denotes an optional requirement

Requirement #	Requirements	Responsibility
2910.1	Effective April 1, 2004 the DA05 edit for immunosuppressive drug claims must only apply when the same immunosuppressive drug HCPCS with the same date of service submitted by the same supplier are billed.	CWF
2910.2	Effective April 1, 2004, when the DA05 edit sets for immunosuppressive drug claims, the edit must reject, rather than send an alert.	CWF

III. SUPPORTING INFORMATION & POSSIBLE DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

A. Other Instructions:

X-Ref Requirement #	
2910.1 – 2910.1.2	The DA05 edit must work for immunosuppressive drug claims in the same manner it currently works for all other DMEPOS claims.

B. Design Considerations: N/A

X-Ref Requirement #	Recommendation for Medicare System Requirements	

C. Interfaces: N/A

D. Contractor Financial Reporting /Workload Impact: N/A

E. Dependencies: N/A

F. Testing Considerations: N/A

IV. SCHEDULE, CONTACTS, AND FUNDING

Effective Date: April 1, 2004	These instructions should be
Implementation Date: April 1, 2004	implemented within your current operating budget
Pre-Implementation Contact(s): Appropriate Regional Office	
Post-Implementation Contact(s): Appropriate	
Regional Office	